

Minors Discuss Measure Of Protection

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 8.—What the minors have as a measure of protection against the raids of the major league players, they will hold. That was the freely expressed opinion among the delegates at the close of the first annual meeting of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues here today.

No modification of the "selected player rule" was possible at the minors convention here, because it is a part of the agreement with the majors that can be changed only at a major league conference and the next one opens in New York next week. If the matter was discussed in today's executive session, the minors kept their own counsel about it.

The only reaction from the advances of the majors and the appeal of Commissioner K. M. Landis to organized baseball to find a way out of the woods on the draft question, therefore, can be found in the known and paying 1000. The committee of minors named to go to the New York joint meeting. Neither President T. J. Hickney of the American Association nor President W. H. McCarthy of the Pacific Coast League takes kindly to the idea of letting down the bars again to the minors. President J. C. Toole of the International in the same mind, but there is said to be some difference of opinion among the minors as to the organization and the question will be thrashed out at the league's annual meeting which takes place before the major league conference. Secretary Farrell, the fourth member of the committee, goes in an advisory capacity and is expressing no opinion.

It was announced that players listed as "reserve jumpers" as distinct from "contract jumpers" may be reinstated on application to the secretary of the National Association and paying \$1000. This applies to all players on the voluntary retired list paying with or without clubs containing ineligible players. They must return to the clubs from which they deserted.

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meet at the Lake Placid club December 31. The meet has been arranged to train Americans in skiing, skating, hockey and curling, which will appear on the programme of Olympic games to be held in France in 1924.

The president sent his trophy, known as "The President's Cup," to the Snow Birds Winter sports match, which has charge of the events for the first annual college day. Only two representatives from each college will be permitted to enter each of the following events:

Four mile cross country ski race, quarter mile skating race, mile skating race, mile snow-shoeing race, 100 yard ski dash, mile medley relay race.

On December 30 the Snow Birds will hold an international ski-jumping competition, for which collegians will be eligible.

TAFTVILLE BOWLERS WON

MATCH GAME WITH PLAINFIELD
Taftville won the best two-out of three strings from the Plainfield bowlers Thursday night on Taftville alleys, in an Eastern Conn. League match game. High honors were rolled by Dugas with a single score of 156 and a total pinfall of 422. The score:

Taftville.		Plainfield.	
Peplin	115	111	101
Leandry	98	88	112
Edwards	100	98	114
White	100	93	117
Dugas	134	156	142
	537	542	588

Plainfield.

Sullivan	104	111	94
Hovkins	105	121	98
Ballard	121	91	127
Moffitt	113	120	119
Bailey	102	127	102
	543	510	530

BIKE RIDERS GROUPED IN

LEAD AT THE 50TH HOUR
New York, Dec. 8.—Six of the 12 bicycle teams remaining in the six-day race at Madison Square Garden were grouped in the lead at 11 o'clock tonight the 50th hour. They had covered 1,551 miles and 4 laps, as compared to the record of 1,554 miles and 2 laps made by Goulet and Grenda in 1914.

McNadden led in the point scoring with 251, Buysse and Van Hevel second with 234, Van Kempen and De Buyter third with 154, Goulet and Brocco fourth with 144, and Rutt and Cohorn fifth with 115.

Overstutter, whose teammate, Weber, was injured in one of the day's fast sprints, retired from the race tonight after riding alone for five hours.

At the end of the 57th hour the relative positions of the teams were unchanged, the six leaders having covered 1,692 miles and 5 laps, with Madden leading. The record for the hour, 1,924 miles and 4 laps, was made by Goulet and Grenda in 1914.

TIE IN EMPLOYED BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Wednesday night, in the Employed Boys' basketball league games at the "gym," the TNTs succeeded in winning a victory over the Lightning Fives, by applying full strength, the score being 15 to 8.

The Rucs Devils proved to be Mornet proof and went over the top with a 4 to 0 score. These results proved to tie up the team standing and (as) games are expected when the teams of note next Friday night. The standings:

Team	W	L	Pts
Lightning Fives	2	1	667
TNTs	2	1	667
Rucs Devils	1	2	337
Hornets	1	2	337

SPRINGFIELD HAS 22 GAME

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
Springfield, Dec. 8.—Twenty-two games will be played by Springfield college basketball team this season. This is one of the heaviest schedules ever carried by a Red and White team and is heavier than most college quinquies in the east are facing. The season will not open this year until after the Christmas recess. Four veterans of last season's winning team are available, making the prospects for a good season bright.

JAKE SCHAEFER WINS BILLIARD

MATCH WITH ROGER CONTI
New York, Dec. 8.—Jake Schaefer, world's 132 ranking billiard champion, today won the two final blocks of his 2,200 point match with Roger Conti, of France, 400 to 219 and 400 to 142. Schaefer's grand total for the eight blocks was 3,017 and Conti's 2,100.

lift today. Prices closed strong, 1 3/4 to 1 7/8 net higher with May 1 1/2 7-8 to 1 1/4 and July 1 1/2 7-8 to 1 1/4. Corn gained 7-8 to 1 1/2 and oats 1 1/2 to 7-8 to 1 1/4. In provisions, the outcome varied from 10 cents decline to 40 cents advance.

What showed strength from the start and with a gradual increase of buying prices moved up rapidly. New export business by way of the Gulf of Mexico was noted and special attention was given to news that British stocks of wheat totalled on 11,000,000 bushels against 24,000,000 bushels a year ago.

Corn and oats advanced with wheat. Export demand for corn was good and the domestic call was better than has been the case for some time.

Lard and ribs rose on scattered buying which found offerings rather light. Pork was marked down in the absence of any inquiry.

Chicago Grain Market.

Grain	High	Low	Close
Wheat	110 1/2	108 1/2	110 1/2
Dec.	114 1/2	111 1/2	111
May	103 1/2	101	103

Corn.

Grain	High	Low	Close
Dec.	48 1/2	46 1/2	48 1/2
May	54 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2
July	56	54 1/2	56

Oats.

Grain	High	Low	Close
Dec.	37 1/2	35 1/2	37 1/2
May	37 1/2	35 1/2	37 1/2
July	37 1/2	35 1/2	37 1/2

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET
Chicago, Dec. 8.—Better export demand helped give the wheat market a

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Tooth Brushes, 25c value . . . 5c	Uncle Sam Playing Cards . . . 35c	O. D. Wool Shirts, extra heavy . . . \$4.50 and \$5.00
Bill Folds, leather, 50c value . . 25c	Scissors 25c	Olive Green Wool Shirts, \$3.50 value \$2.50
Khaki Handkerchiefs, 2 for . . . 25c	Aluminum Vacuum Bottles . . \$1.25	O. D. Shirts, \$3.50 value . . . \$2.45
Military Brushes, 75c value . . . 25c	Opera Glasses \$1.00	Blue Flannel Shirts \$1.65
Shaving Mirrors, 50c value . . . 35c	1 Pipe, 1 Cigar Holder, 1 Cigarette Holder, all for . . . \$1.25	Chambray Shirts 95c
Shaving Brushes, rubber set . . 10c	Jumbo Sweaters, \$4.50 value . \$3.00	Khaki Shirts 95c
Razors (hand ground), \$1.50 value . 50c	Leather Sheepskin Lined Vests \$8.75	All-Wool Slip-ons \$1.75
Safety Razors, \$1.50 value . . . 65c	Caps, \$1.50 value 50c	Prince Albert Tobacco, 2 cans . 25c
Safety Razor Blades, dozen . . 40c	Alarm Clocks \$1.00	Velvet Tobacco 10c
Army and Navy Fountain Pens, \$1.50 value \$1.00	Nomis Gloves 50c	Tuxedo Tobacco, 2 cans . . . 25c
Opera Glasses (Pearl), \$10.00 value \$5.95	Auto Gauntlet Gloves \$4.95	Bull Durham, 1 5-8 sack 9c
Aluminum Percolators \$1.55	Work Gloves 35c	Planters' Pride Tobacco, 3 sacks . 5c
U. S. Army Compass, \$3.50 value \$1.95	Wool Gloves, 75c value . . . 35c	Hair Clippers \$1.00
Umbrellas, while they last . . \$1.45	Driving Gloves, (Lined) . . . \$3.45	Unbleached Towels, 75c value . . 25c
4-piece Smoking Set, \$1.50 value 75c	Fur-lined Gloves, \$7.00 value . \$4.50	Overalls 95c
Sweater Coats, \$2.50 value . . . 95c	China Dog Fur Mittens \$5.95	Dungarries \$1.50
Sport Vests, wool, \$5.00 value \$3.95	Buckskin One-finger Glove . . \$3.50	O. D. Wool Pants \$4.75
Vacuum Bottles 85c	Wool Socks (heavy), 3 prs. for \$1.00	Heavy Khaki Pants \$1.95
Toilet Sets, French Ivory, \$5.00 value \$3.95	Merino Wool Dress Socks . . . 65c	Blankets 95c to \$6.95
Watches \$1.15	Work Socks, 2 pairs for . . . 25c	Mattress, 20 lbs. \$2.95
Wrist Watches, \$5.00 value . . \$2.95	Cashmerette Socks 15c	Hospital Steel Cots \$2.95
Shaving Outfit, \$1.25 value . . 55c	Cashmere Socks, 3 pairs for . \$1.00	Sheepskin Moccasins 95c
Silk Hose, \$1.00 value 50c	Leather Jerkins with sleeves . \$9.45	Khaki Slippers 95c
Women's Stockings 10c	Leather Jerkins \$2.95	Army Shoes \$3.95
Navy Watch Caps 95c	Leather Coats \$23.50 up	Navy Shoes \$5.95
Overseas Caps 25c	Sheepskin Coats \$8.50	Officer's Dress Shoes \$5.25
Handkerchiefs, white, blue, red . 5c	Oil-skin Coats \$2.50	Work Shoes \$2.35
Flashlights 75c	Clothes Brushes 25c	4-buckle Rubber Arctics . . \$2.35
Roger Silver Set, 26 pieces . . \$6.95	Feather Pillows, \$1.25 value . . 80c	Hunting Shoes, extra high . . \$8.75
Tan Dress Gloves \$1.95	Natural Grey Undershirts . . . 75c	Money Belts 50c
All-Wool Slip-ons 85c	Natural Grey Drawers 75c	Hip Boots \$3.95
	Union Suits, \$2.50 value . . . \$1.50	Rubbers \$1.05
	Army Wool Undershirts . . . \$1.25	All-Wool Heavy Sweaters . . \$5.45
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Bearcats Want Game.

The Taftville Bearcats basketball team has organized for the season and are seeking games with any fast teams in this section of the state. They would like to hear from Plainfield, South Manchester and Danielson K. of C. The Bearcats have the following line-up: Coleman and Bolton guards, Borden and T. Coleman center, Murphy and Decelles forwards.

Holy Cross Football Captain.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 8.—William Healey of Medford, right guard on the Holy Cross football eleven for the past two years, was elected team captain for 1922 tonight.

Resigns From Board of Stewards.

New York, Dec. 8.—The resignation of John Sanford as a member of the board of stewards of the Jockey club was accepted at a meeting of the board today.

SPORT NOTES.

Manager John Hammel, the Springfield club of the Eastern League's new pilot, has signed up three players from the Western Canadian League.

In spite of his disastrous season with Columbia, "Buck" O'Neil will once more coach the Blue and White team in 1922. O'Neil turned out some of the strongest teams Syracuse university ever produced.

The south has led the way in purifying college sport, by introducing a new regulation which will put the "tramp" college athlete out of business.

George Carver, world's light-heavyweight champion, is expected to invade this country again early in February to fight for his bout with Tom Gibbons in March.

Followers of Illinois football deem that Coach Zumpke always shines at least one surprise during the season and now this State believes it.

A five year contract for New Hampshire college and University of Maine to close their football season with a game in Portland, Me., beginning next Armistice Day has been agreed upon by the athletic authorities of the two institutions.

One of the best all-around athletes at Yale, E. P. F. Farns, has been selected as Rhodes Scholar and will join the colony of American collegians who will spend several years at Oxford university, in England.

HEARING OPENS ON EXECUTION OF SOLDIERS

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